

WESTFIELD CITY COUNCIL, August 10, 2009

The Westfield City Council met in regular session Monday August 10, 2009 at the Westfield City Hall. Members present were Rob Stokes, Steve Hoover, Tom Smith, Bob Horkay, Bob Smith, Ken Kingshill and John Dippel. Also present were Mayor, Andy Cook, Clerk Treasurer, Cindy Gossard and Legal Counsel, Brian Zaiger. Mayor Andy Cook called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Steve Hoover made the motion to approve July 13, 2009 minutes as amended. John Dippel seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

GUESTS:

None

CLAIMS:

Bob Horkay made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Bob Smith seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/SPECIAL RECOGNITION:

Proclamation:

Children's Vision & Learning Month

Mayor Cook introduced Jill Thomas. He then presented the Proclamation of the month of August being Children's Vision & Learning month in the City of Westfield.

Hamilton County Emergency Management Agency Awareness

Mayor Cook stated Westfield is working with the County to make the Hamilton County Emergency Management. He went on to explain that this would make a more efficient program.

David Bice introduced himself and explained the definition of the Emergency Management Agency Awareness.

Numa Festival

Teresa Skelton announced that this year's arts and cultural event Numa will be held Saturday September 19, 2009. The event will take place between the hours of 10:00AM and 10:00PM. She described the location of the event as well as what activities would be taking place. On behalf of the Numa committee she thanked the City of Westfield for their cooperation and support with logistics as well as public safety.

Sports Commission Phase 1 Report Presentation

Mayor Cook gave a brief update of the Sports Complex Facility. He also announced that Phase 1 is finished and Phase 2 had begun.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 09-15: Amendment to Ordinance 09-04 Solicitor's Permit
First Reading – August 10, 2009
Second Reading – August 24, 2009
Adoption Consideration – August 24, 2009

Jennifer Miller presented this item explaining some of the changes and modifications to our current Solicitor's Permit. She explained these changes originated at the Clerk-Treasurer's office where the permits are considered. She explained that Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Teresa Skelton was available to answer administrative questions.

President Kingshill questioned the ordinance prohibiting businesses outside of the City of Westfield not having the opportunity to canvas promotional material without a permit.

Steve Hoover wanted to be cautious of too many changes to the proposed ordinance. He would like to see quality businesses encouraged to have a Westfield location with a building permit or the nominal fee of a solicitor's permit.

Tom Smith asked how this affects City events and the vendors of those events. Ms. Skelton explained that any vendor at a City wide event would have to meet the requirements of that event.

John Dippel shared in President Kingshill's concern with outside businesses and also would like to keep the name "peddler" out of the ordinance.

It was determined that these suggestions from the Council would be discussed and this ordinance will be brought back to the Council next meeting for consideration.

2010 Budget **First Reading - August 10, 2009**
 Public Hearing – August 24, 2009
 Second Reading – September 14, 2009
 Adoption Consideration – September 14, 2009

Bruce Hauk presented this item with a slide presentation. He explained the Budget process and how the City was able to arrive at these numbers. This is due to our cost saving efforts and being diligent stewards of the taxpayers' money.

Ordinance 09-13: **Vacating Right of Way for Parks: Silver Lakes**
 First Reading – August 10, 2009
 Second Reading – August 24, 2009
 Adoption Consideration – August 24, 2009

Brian Zaiger explained the proposed ordinance. No action required.

Ordinance 09-14: **Additional Appropriation CCI Fund**
 First Reading – August 10, 2009
 Second Reading – August 24, 2009
 Adoption Consideration – August 24, 2009

Brain Zaiger explained that there will be a public hearing at the second reading August 24, 2009. The considered amount of \$ 73,659.00 would allow for the purchase of property for emergency equipment to enter Gurley Street.

Resolution 09-07 **East Side Economic Development Area**
 First Reading – August 10, 2009
 Adoption Consideration August 10, 2009

Attorney James Crawford from Kreig Devault described the East Side Economic Development area.

Bob Smith made the motion to approve Resolution 09-07 as presented. Bob Horkay seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Abstain-1 (Rob Stokes). Motion carried.

**Resolution 09-08 Grand Junction Economic Development Area
First Reading - August 10, 2009
Adoption Consideration – August 10, 2009**

James Crawford gave an update of the Grand Junction Economic Development Area.

After a brief description it was determined that this resolution could be considered on the first reading.

Bob Horkay made a motion to approve Resolution 09-08 as presented. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-6; No-0; Abstain-1 (Rob Stokes). Motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Tom Smith expressed his appreciation to everyone that helped with the Grand Junction Derby the past weekend.

Steve Hoover complimented the Grand Junction Derby committee for their hard work.

The rest of the Council echoed their appreciation.

Bob Horkay announced that the Bridgewater PUD will appear for a public hearing at the Advisory Plan Commission meeting August 17, 2009.

Tom Smith announced that Saturday September 26, 2009 the “Heart and Soul” clinic tentatively is holding a grand opening.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

The Grand Junction Design team had a two day session.

The City Engineers are doing a survey of Union Street.

The Public Works Department reconstructing seven curbs and gutters to meet ADA requirements.

The portion of the Monon trail up to 161st Street should be complete by September 9th of this year.

INDOT is doing a safety analysis and some improvements are taking place such as limiting left turn at 169th Street.

He encouraged citizens to keep communicating negative and positive activities and sightings through the "Eyes of Westfield". Thanks to the Informatics Department this tool is available.

With no further business Bob Horkay made the motion to adjourn. Steve Hoover seconded. Vote: Yes-7; No-0. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.


Clerk-Treasurer


President